

Docket No. 1090D2

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if multiple names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the sp	pecification of which (check one)
	is attached hereto
\boxtimes	was filed on January 15, 2002 as Application Serial No. 10/047,593 and was amended on (if applicable).
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is known by me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits

under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) or §365(b), of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate,

or under Title 35, United States Code, §365(a), of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below;

and I have also identified below any related foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or any related PCT International application, having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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			Yes	No
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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I hereby claim the benefit

under Title 35, United States Code §120, of any United States application(s) or under Title 35, United States Code §365(c), of any PCT international application designating the United States of America listed below:

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and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is known by me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application (37 C.F.R. § 1.56(e)).

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint as my attorneys and agents, with full powers of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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